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## STATUS INQUIRY

The Issue Fee was submitted to the U.S. Patent Office on December 15, 2003 in the above-referenced patent application. A copy of the as-filed issue fee transmittal and the date-stamped return receipt postcard are attached. Also attached is a copy of the as-filed Revocation & Grant of Power of Attorney. Applicants respectfully request written notification of the status of the Letters Patent.

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